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The University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign is a comprehensive, major public university that is ranked among the best in the United States. As a land-grant institution, it provides undergraduate and graduate education, conducts research, and provides public service.

HISTORY

- * One of the original 37 public land-grant institutions created within 10 years of the signing of the Morrill Act by Abraham Lincoln in 1862
- * Chartered by the state of Illinois in 1867 as the Illinois Industrial University
- * Opened its doors to students in 1868

LOCATION

- * 700 acres (180 major buildings) located in the twin cities of Champaign and Urbana (combined population: 100,000)
- * Situated about 140 miles south of Chicago, 120 miles west of Indianapolis, and 170 miles northeast of St. Louis

PEOPLE

Students

- * 35,000 total: 25,900 undergraduate and 9,100 graduate and professional
- * 57% men, 43% women; 16% minority
- * Students typically come from 50 states and 100 foreign countries

Faculty

- * 2,700 members
- * 80+ members of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, the National Academy of Sciences, or the National Academy of Engineering
- * 9 winners of the National Medal of Science
- * 42 named Presidential Young Investigators, 1984-89

Staff

- * 2,400 administrative and professional
- * 6,100 nonacademic

Alumni

- * 360,000 University graduates
- * Nation's largest alumni association (114,000 members)

- * 8 Nobel laureates
- * 16 Pulitzer Prize winners

COLLEGES & INSTRUCTIONAL UNITS

College of Agriculture

College of Applied Life Studies

Institute of Aviation

College of Commerce and Business
Administration

College of Communications

College of Education

College of Engineering

College of Fine and Applied Arts

Graduate College

Institute of Labor and Industrial Relations

College of Law

College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

Graduate School of Library and
Information Science

College of Medicine at Urbana-Champaign

School of Social Work

College of Veterinary Medicine

UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION

- * 25,900 students; 94% Illinois residents
- * 6,500 freshman and transfer students annually
- * Eight colleges, one institute, and one school offer 4,000 courses and 150 programs of study.

Academic Profile of Entering Freshmen

- * 25% had ACT scores of 29+ (98th percentile) or SAT scores of 1251+
- * 27% were in the top 3% of their high school classes, 64% in the top 10%
- * 56 National Merit Scholars
- * 10 National Achievement Scholars

Special Programs

- * Campus Honors Program
- * President's Award Program
- * Nation's largest study-abroad program administered by a single campus for its own students
- * 8,000 computer work stations in classrooms, laboratories, and residence halls across campus

Classes

- * 74% of all undergraduate classes have fewer than 30 students
- * 45% have fewer than 20 students

Tuition and Fees (Fall 1989)

- * Resident: \$2,784-3,030 per year
- * Nonresident: \$6,324-7,062 per year
- * 84% receive some form of financial aid

GRADUATE EDUCATION

- * 9,100 graduate and professional students; 62% Illinois residents
- * 1,700 new graduate and professional students annually
- * 100 academic programs
- * Professional degree programs in medicine, law, and veterinary medicine
- * Combined and interdisciplinary degree programs

Tuition and Fees (Fall 1989)

- * Resident: \$3,376 per year
- * Nonresident: \$8,056 per year
- * Law, veterinary medicine, and medicine assessed separately

- * 75% hold fellowships or teaching, research, or administrative assistantships

ACADEMIC RESOURCES

University Library

- * Third largest academic collection in the nation after Harvard and Yale
- * 11.3 million items including 7.5 million volumes and 92,000 serial titles
- * First major academic library with computerized catalog as primary access
- * 35 departmental libraries; largest is the Undergraduate Library

Major National Centers

- * National Arts Education Research Center
- * Center for Cement Composite Materials
- * Center for Complex Systems Research
- * National Center for Composite Materials Research
- * National Soybean Research Laboratory
- * Center for Compound Semiconductor Microelectronics
- * Advanced Construction Technology Center
- * Coordinated Science Laboratory

- * Materials Research Laboratory
- * Center for Molecular Phylogeny
- * Nuclear Physics Laboratory
- * Plant and Animal Biotechnology Laboratory (to open 1991)
- * Prokaryotic Genome Analysis Center
- * Center for the Study of Reading
- * National Center for Supercomputing Applications
- * Center for Supercomputing Research and Development

Major Interdisciplinary Units

- * Beckman Institute for Advanced Science and Technology
- * Center for Advanced Study
- * Centers for African Studies, East Asian and Pacific Studies, Latin American and Caribbean Studies, and Russian and East European Studies; South and West Asian Studies Program
- * Program on Ancient Technologies and Archaeological Materials
- * Program in Arms Control, Disarmament, and International Security
- * Program for the Study of Cultural Values and Ethics

- * Aviation Research Laboratory
- * Unit for Criticism and Interpretive Theory
- * Institute of Communications Research
- * Institute for Environmental Studies
- * History, Philosophy, and Sociology of Science Program
- * Institute for Research on Human Development
- * Neural and Behavioral Biology Program
- * Program in Science, Technology, and Society
- * Women's Studies Program

PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SUPPORT

- * Total budget FY89: \$706 million (42% from state tax support)
- * Overall private gift funding of \$73.1 million in FY89; \$47.9 million designated for the Urbana-Champaign campus; total corporate support in FY89 of \$25.1 million
- * Private, state, and federal grants and contract appropriations of \$196.9 million for the campus in FY89, \$154.2 million of which was devoted to research

ADMINISTRATION

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PUBLIC SERVICE PROGRAMS

- * Continuing education: 43,000 Illinois residents participate in scores of conferences, institutes, credit and noncredit courses, and workshops presented on campus and statewide each year; 130 correspondence courses offered in 25 subjects
- * Cooperative Extension Service: programs in agriculture, homemaking, 4-H, and youth development in all 102 Illinois counties, serving 700,000 annually
- * Public broadcasting: WILL-AM/FM/TV
- * Willard Airport: serving the University and east-central Illinois communities; newly opened \$16.3 million passenger terminal complex

CAMPUS LIFE

Culture and Entertainment

- * Krannert Center for the Performing Arts: “Arguably the best performing arts facilities in the nation”—education editor, *Time* magazine; 320 student and professional performances annually; four theaters seat 200, 670, 990, and 2,100, respectively
- * Foellinger Auditorium: built in 1907 and renovated in 1985 according to the original design; seats 1,750 for concerts, films, speakers, and special productions
- * Assembly Hall: multipurpose building for concerts, convocations, theater, and sporting events; 16,000 capacity; edge-supported dome spans 400 feet

Museums, Galleries, and Collections

- * Krannert Art Museum and Kinkead Pavilion
- * World Heritage Museum
- * Museum of Natural History
- * Illini Union Gallery
- * Temple Buell Architecture Gallery
- * Rare Book and Special Collections Library

Sports and Recreation

- * Intramural–Physical Education Building: one of the largest complexes of its kind on any campus; 4 gyms, 23 handball/racquetball courts, 7 squash courts, game room, archery room, weight and exercise equipment, indoor and outdoor pools, and tennis courts; houses one of the most comprehensive intramural sports programs in the nation
- * Varsity: charter member of the Big Ten Conference (NCAA); Illinois competes in 12 men's and 9 women's sports
- * Memorial Stadium: capacity 69,200; site of Big Ten football games
- * Proano Stadium: \$1.9 million baseball and softball stadium seats 1,500
- * Allerton Park and Conference Center: 1,500-acre country estate located 30 miles from campus near Monticello, IL; meeting facilities, sculpture gardens, formal gardens, and natural woodlands; National Natural Landmark
- * Illini Union: campus center with lounges, food services, bookstore, computer workstations, study areas, recreation centers, meeting rooms, and guest rooms

Programs for the Disabled

- * First accessible campus in the nation
- * Comprehensive campuswide transportation system
- * Division of Rehabilitation Education supports academic research and service programs
- * Beckwith Living Center, residential unit for severely physically disabled

Housing

- * 23 undergraduate University residence halls accommodate 8,700 students
- * Double room and board is \$3,442 (1989-90)
- * 5 privately owned certified residence halls and 22 houses accommodate 2,500 students
- * Graduate student housing includes 2 residence halls and 729 University-owned family apartments

Student Organizations

- * 700 registered student organizations
- * *Daily Illini* student newspaper
- * *Illio* yearbook
- * WPGU-FM; WBML and WDBS Cable-FM radio

- * Nation's largest Greek system: 57 fraternities and 29 sororities; about 25% of all undergraduates participate

MORE INFORMATION

- * Visitors Center: Levis Faculty Center, 919 West Illinois Street, Urbana, IL 61801; 11,000 visitors annually; open 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Mon.-Fri.; (217) 333-1345
- * Illini Union Information Desk: Illini Union, 1401 West Green Street, Urbana, IL 61801; open 8 a.m.-8 p.m., Mon.-Sat., 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Sun; (217) 333-4666
- * Undergraduate Admissions: Office of Admissions and Records, 177 Henry Administration Building, 506 South Wright Street, Urbana, IL 61801
- * Graduate Admissions: Graduate College, 202 Coble Hall, 801 South Wright Street, Champaign, IL 61820

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